SPECIAL MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-MARCH 29, 2004

The special meeting of the Town Council was called to order at 6:06 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building by Mayor Elizabeth Paterson.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Blair, Clouette, Haddad, Hawkins, Paterson, Paulhus, Schaefer, Thorkelson

II. BUSINESS

1. FY 2004-2005 Budget

a. Budget presented to the Council

Town Manager presented the proposed budget to the Council and discussed the following items:

The budget message Pg. 1-5 This would mean a 5.7 percent increase. Education budget up 7.8 percent, Regional District #19 increase of 7.7 percent, and the Town's portion increased by 6.4.

b. Issues and Options Pg. 5

Fund Balance
Ten Year Trend in Education Pg. 7,8,9
Debt Service Fund Pg. 10
Staff Changes Pg. 10
Impact of Community Center Pg. 13
Requests of Non-profit organizations Pg. 14
Land Management Pg. 15

c. General Government Pg. 59

Town Government
Town Attorney Pg. 66
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Registrars Pg. 70-71
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General Elections Pg. 74-75
Finance Pg. 77-85
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d. Capital Projects Pg. 167-173
Summary Pg. 181-183

e. CNR Pg. 185

Add to the agenda for next meeting filling Council vacancy created by Mr. Bruce Bellm.

III. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

At 7:22 p.m. Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Haddad seconded to adjourn the Town Council meeting.

So passed unanimously.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Joan E. Gerdsen, Town Clerk